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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Yoichi OlKAWA

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Examiner:

OPTICAL SWITCH FOR COMPENSATING FOR DEGRADATION OF OPTICAL COUPLING CHARACTERISTIC For:

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed April 23, 2003, and having a period for response set to expire on July 23, 2003.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.

